

REDEMPTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

Put your
HOPE
in the LORD,

for with the LORD
is unfailing love
and with
him is full
redemption.

Psalm 130:7, NIV





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Pre-Service Meditation:

Mark 9:28b-29 His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹ So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

Prayer: O Father in heaven, hear my prayer, answer when I call out to You, according to Your promise. O Lord, though my spirit is willing, my flesh is weak. Many are the afflictions that trouble my soul, that strike at my faith. Forgive me for the times my faith is weak and I do not look to You as the strength to endure my trials. Forgive me for impatience – when I only seek Your help as the last resort. Lord, help my unbelief! Fill me with the love of my Savior who bore my sin upon the cross. Lead me to Your Word that my faith may rest on Your promises to deliver. May Your goodness be my hope and Your unfailing love my redemption. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

Opening: TLH 456 Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat
Invocation

P In the Name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

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P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*





C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,

Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:

We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
 Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,

Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

G And also with you.

P Let us pray... O Lord, we pray, let Your grace always go before and follow after us and continually help us to devote ourselves to good works; for You live and rule with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

G Amen.

Old Testament Lesson: 1 Kings 17:8-16 – Freedom from Care

⁸ Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, ⁹ "Arise, go to Zarephath, which *belongs* to Sidon, and dwell there. See, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you." ¹⁰ So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, indeed a widow *was* there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Please bring me a little water in a cup, that I may drink." ¹¹ And as she was going to

get *it*, he called to her and said, "Please bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." ¹² So she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I do not have bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil in a jar; and see, I *am* gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." ¹³ And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go *and* do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first, and bring *it* to me; and afterward make *some* for yourself and your son. ¹⁴ "For thus says the LORD God of Israel: 'The bin of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil run dry, until the day the LORD sends rain on the earth.'" ¹⁵ So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for *many* days. ¹⁶ The bin of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry, according to the word of the LORD which He spoke by Elijah.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 37 Exhortation to Patience & Trust

- P** The wicked plots against the just, And gnashes at him with his teeth.
- C** The Lord laughs at him, For He sees that his day is coming.
- P** The wicked have drawn the sword And have bent their bow, To cast down the poor and needy,
- C** Their sword shall enter their own heart, And their bows shall be broken.
- P** The LORD knows the days of the upright, And their inheritance shall be forever.
- C** They shall not be ashamed in the evil time, And in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.
- P** The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD, And He delights in his way.
- C** Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; For the LORD upholds *him with* His hand.

Epistle Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 – Our Earthly Calling

⁶ But we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to follow us, for we were not disorderly

among you; ⁸ nor did we eat anyone's bread free of charge, but worked with labor and toil night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, ⁹ not because we do not have authority, but to make ourselves an example of how you should follow us. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat. ¹¹ For we hear that there are some who walk among you in a disorderly manner, not working at all, but are busybodies. ¹² Now those who are such we command and exhort through our Lord Jesus Christ that they work in quietness and eat their own bread. ¹³ But *as for* you, brethren, do not grow weary *in* doing good.

Confession of Faith:

Nicene Creed

☒ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn:

LSB 846 Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old

¹⁴ And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them. ¹⁵ Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to *Him*, greeted Him. ¹⁶ And He asked the scribes, "What are you discussing with them?" ¹⁷ Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. ¹⁸ "And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not." ¹⁹ He answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me." ²⁰ Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²² "And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³ Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things *are* possible to him who believes." ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵ When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!" ²⁶ Then *the spirit* cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹ So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

How Faith Responds to Trouble

Preaching today: Pastor Emeritus James Albrecht

Offertory:

Create in Me

Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Hymn:

TLH 313 O Lord, We Praise Thee

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

- ☩ Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
Forever and ever. Amen**



Order of the Sacrament

- ☐ The Lord be with you**
☩ And also with you
☐ Lift up your hearts
☩ We lift them up to the Lord
☐ It is truly right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God...Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

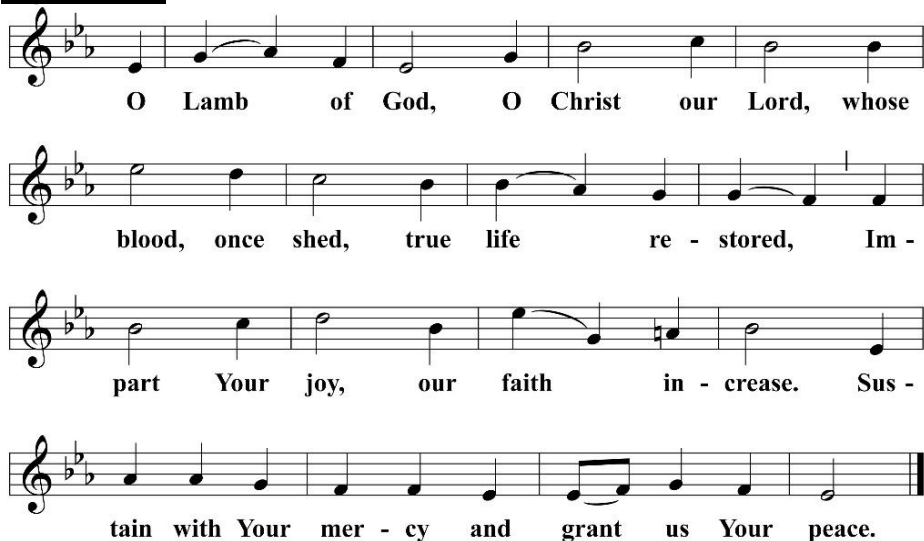
Sanctus



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Sa - ba-oth, a-dored; Heav'n and
earth with full ac-claim shout the glo - ry of Your name. Sing ho -
san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord; Tru - ly
blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Words of Institution

Agnus Dei



O Lamb of God, O Christ our Lord, whose
blood, once shed, true life re - stored, Im -
part Your joy, our faith in - crease. Sus -
tain with Your mer - cy and grant us Your peace.

Distribution

Communion Note:

The Bible tells us to be "*perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.*" One way that unity is expressed is by communing together. For that reason, we ask that anyone who has not established this unity through membership in a CLC congregation, speak with the pastor or one of the Elders before coming to the Lord's Table. We hold this position in loving obedience to the Word of God. This is by no means a judgment of anyone's Christian faith, sincerity, or standing before God.

Nunc Dimittis



C: 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: A
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One; For

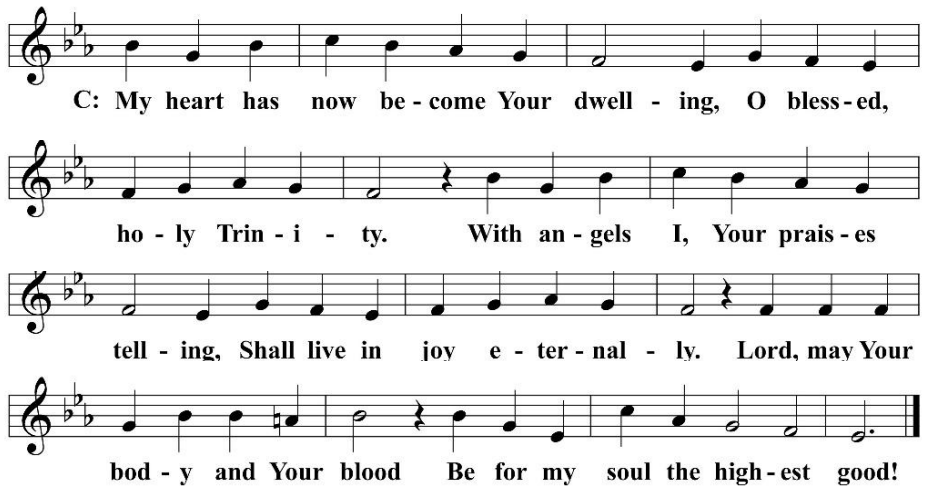
light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord in Gladness

Thanksgiving



C: My heart has now be - come Your dwell - ing, O bless - ed,
ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Your prais - es
tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly. Lord, may Your
bod - y and Your blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

Benediction:

C: Amen.

Hymn:

WS 757 Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

Silent Prayer

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WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.

Announcements

Upcoming Events:

- **Thank You:** A big thank you to Pastor Albrecht for sharing the Gospel message with us this morning!

- **Help Needed:** If anyone is able and willing to help set up the scaffolding after the service this morning, your help would be greatly appreciated. Stonework begins on the church tomorrow.
- **Invited:** Gethsemane has invited the members of Redemption to join in celebrating 75 years of God's grace on September 20th at 9am. Please RSVP to Pastor Wayne Eichstadt at pastor@gethsemaneclc.org or 509-926-3317.

Call News:

- Mr. Nick Naumann *has returned the call* to St. Luke's Lutheran in Lemmon, SD.
- Pastor Chad Sebyt of the Quad Parish in Fairchild, WI, Melrose, WI, Millston, WI, and Onalaska, WI, *has returned the call* to Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ.
- Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran in Rapid City, SD *is considering the call* to St. Paul's Lutheran in Austin, MN
- Pastor Matthew Hanel of St. Matthew Lutheran in Dallas, TX *is considering the call* to Gift of God Lutheran in Mapleton, ND
- Pastor Tom Schuetze of St. Paul Lutheran in Lakewood, CO *has returned the call* to Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton, WI.
- Pastor Glenn Oster of Gift of God Lutheran, Fairfax, VA, *has received the call* to Trinity Lutheran in Spokane, WA.

Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday, September 20th Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, September 27th Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, October 4th Redemption Sunday Service at 9

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1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old
 2 Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health,
 3 O be our great de - liv - 'rer still,

Was strong to heal and save; It tri - umphed o - ver
 Gave speech and strength and sight; And youth re - newed and
 The Lord of life and death; Re - store and quick - en,

ills and death, O'er dark - ness and the grave.
 fren - zy calmed Re - vealed You, Lord of light.
 soothe and bless, With Your life - giv - ing breath.

To You they came, the blind, the mute,
 And now, O Lord, the be near eyes to bless,
 To hands that work and eyes that see

The pal - sied and the lame, The lep - ers in their
 Al - might - y as be - fore, In crowd - ed street, by
 Give wis - dom's heal - ing pow'r That whole and sick and

mis - er - y, The sick with fe - vered frame.
 beds of pain, As by Gen - nes - 'ret's shore.
 weak and strong May praise You ev - er - more.

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